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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### AGENDA

**September 24, 2009**

**Beginning at 7 p.m.**

**City Hall, Rm 209**

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- 1. Flowed Meadow Phase III:** Update and recommendation by Alice Ingerson, CP Planner and by Environmental Planner
- 2. CSX Vegetation Management Plan RDA** – ROW spraying of herbicides in riverfront and buffer to bank of the Charles River, in bordering vegetated wetlands, and possibly floodzone, and in an area proximal to a public drinking water supply.
- 3. 386 Quinobequin Rd. – NOI** – Install drain line partly within the 200 ft riverfront to the Charles and entirely within flood zone (see 310 CMR 10.57(1), 10.57(4), and 10.58) to drain basement.
- 4. 2345 Commonwealth Ave. CR/TPG Newton Hotel, LLC –NOI** - repair of damaged drainage structures and repair of sink-hole, re-construction of retaining wall, addition of concrete pad and brick walk, erosion control and repair and landscaping within the 200 ft riverfront area to the Charles River.
- 5. 15 Marla Cir – Request to extend OOC- DEP 239-544** – Demolition of house, construction of new house, driveway, grading, lawn, landscaping and mitigation area in riverfront. Patio, mitigation area not completed and no letter from MWRA re planting in easement area.
- 6. 107 Adeline Rd. –RDA** –Reconstruction and expansion of porch in the 100 ft buffer to bank of Paul Brook.
- 7. 90 Boulder Rd. – RDA** – Re-locate and enlarge deck in riverfront and bordering land subject to flooding of South Meadow Brook.
- 8. #3 Fuller Ave. – Amended NOI** – Connect sewer service and perform buffer zone and wetland restoration.
- 9. 92 Bullough Park – NOI** – Demolish existing house and construct new single-family house partly within the 100 ft buffer zone to bank of Bullough Pond.

### Violations --Updates

**76 Webster Park – Habitat – utility poles in CR area** – E-mail exchange with Lark Palermo of Habitat said they expect to have all problems corrected shortly and within the 90-day period of the temporary certificate of occupancy, rapidly nearing.

**35 Kingswood Road** – alteration of bank of Charles – restoration area planted with 20 new lowbush blueberry bushes. Will re-check spring of 2009.

**15 Harwich Rd –Violation** –Have asked DEP to assist. In a recent e-mail exchange, DEP analyst informed me she has not had time to pursue this violation.

**3 Fuller Ave.** – has proposal for restoration (see above).

Conservation Commission

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**Certificates of Compliance**

**61 Verndale Road** – As-built and “in substantial compliance” letter submitted for addition and deck in flood zone. Lot is not re-stabilized (no turf, mulch, etc.) but is so flat that run-off very unlikely. I have verbally advised owner that if loam is brought in, he must remove an equivalent amount of material so that the grade does not change.

**32 Olde Field Road** – As-built and letter from engineer certifying work; mitigation area looks fine.

**Lot 8 Kessler Road** - As-built and letter from engineer certifying work; all areas re-stabilized.

**53 Kingswood Road** – Very old OOC seeking COC for sale. As-built plan and letter from engineer certifying work for an addition.

**126 Selwyn Road** - As-built and letter from engineer certifying work; mitigation area looks fine.

**Announcements & General Business:**

**Kessler Woods Extension** – need signatures for corrected copy.

**Open Space Plan** – considerations and member to work on committee and with Conservators?

**Nahanton Woods** – Judy– report on last meeting.

**July 23, 2009 Meeting Minutes** for approval

**Crystal Lake Path** – Work started the first week in September & with my permission, will go beyond bench in Levingstone Cove to repair eroded portion of stone dust path and bank. Will be completed prior to meeting.

**Management Plan update** - Dan Green

**Outstanding issues – discussion**

**Rules/policy/procedure for Alternate members (?)**

**Performance Bonds (?) – in light of last MACC newsletter article**

**Non-criminal ticketing** – update — Q: Does the Commission wish to ticket under the Watershed/Flood Zone only?

**Other**

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